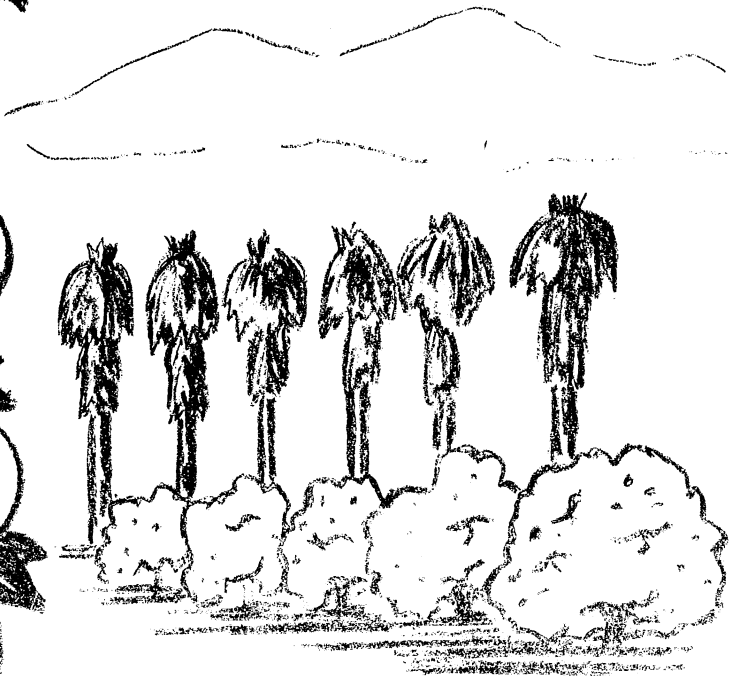




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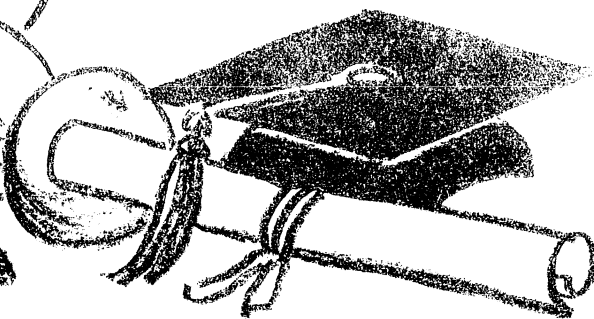
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Calendar of Events

APRIL

- 8—Children return to school
- 27—Assembly program for Middle and Upper Schools

MAY

- 18—Assembly program for Middle and Upper Schools
- 19—Middle School Spring Frolic for upper six classes
- 24—School Rhythm program
Children may leave for home at 3:30
- 25—School holiday
- 31—Lower School picnic

JUNE

- 2--Athletic Banquet and Spring Frolic for Upper School
- 6—Graduation exercises, evening
- 8—School closes at noon for Summer Vacation

Our First Graduates

1956 WILL go down in the history of CSDR as a year of some "firsts" of significance. Our new vocational department was opened offering the students a large variety of trades to learn. Then 1956 will record the first graduation of the school. This first graduation class is the answer to a senior class sponsor's prayer. They are certainly industrious, cooperative and full of life. They leave behind many fond memories.

So, now meet the Class of 1956.

DONALD ANDERSON was born in Cameron, Oklahoma, in 1935. His parents moved to San Diego the following year. He attended several schools there, amongst them: Alice Birney, Horace Mann and Roosevelt Junior High. Some of his classmates there happened to be Joyce Herbert and Coleman Cornell.

Don is the senior class treasurer. His ambition is to become a cabinet maker or to work in an aircraft plant.

COLEMAN CORNELL is a native Californian, having been spanked the first time January 9, 1936, in San Diego. Like Don, Coleman attended several hearing schools in the San Diego area. He came to CSDR in 1953. "Cole" regrets that the school was not established earlier for he says he has learned a lot since coming here.

This year Coleman is vice president of the class and has taken up baking as the trade he would like to follow.

JOHN BOGGS was born in Denver, Colorado in 1935. He attended Mary E. Bennett School for six years. He also went to Le Conte Jr. High where he took part in track. Last year he participated in track here. John learned some welding at Manual Arts High in Los Angeles. He has continued that trade here and plans to work in this trade after graduation.

MOZELL FARRELL was born in Oklahoma, November 29, 1935. While she was still very young her family moved to New Mexico. Prior to this she contracted measles and became deaf. She attended Mary E. Bennett and Foshay Jr. High prior to entering CSDR.

"Mozie" is about the size of a minute but has a wonderful personality. She plans to be a housewife.

JOYCE HERBERT first saw the light of day in Phoenix, Arizona, November 14, 1935. She was born hard of hearing. She learned

speech and speech reading at the Alice Birney School in San Diego. She also attended Lemon Grove Jr. High and graduated from that school. Joyce entered CSDR in the middle of the 1954-55 school year. She says she has been happy here and is interested in becoming an offset machine operator. She is a very dependable and industrious worker.

DANIEL JONES is really a "ball of fire." As business manager of the class and manager of the basketball team he has his hands full. Yet he always manages to do a good job in every way.

"Joey" was born in Loveland, Colorado, October 21, 1935. He lost his hearing due to spinal meningitis at three months. He attended public schools in Denver. In 1950 the family moved to California. In California he went to Pomona High School, then enrolled at this school in 1953. He would like to enter the business world. At school he is especially interested in spotting and pressing.

MARION LaROCCO, known to her classmates as "Honeybun," hails from Oak Park, Illinois, where she was born back in '35. Marion has attended several schools in the Los Angeles area, among them: Mary E. Bennett, Foshay Jr. High, Van Ness and Manual Arts.

"Honeybun" was elected class president, undoubtedly due to her willingness to work and her cheerful personality. She has enjoyed her years at CSDR and learned a good deal. She has taken up typing with fervor and intends to be a typist in the future.

RICHARD POLK is a native of Los Angeles. He was born in 1935. He attended Van Ness and Foshay Jr. High from 1949 to 1952. In 1953 he enrolled at CSDR. Richard is a real sports enthusiast and a strong Dodger fan. He is also assistant manager of the basketball team.

At school Richard has taken up baking and plans to be a baker in the future.

SHEILA RIDDELL was born March 19, 1936. She attended the Lutheran Institute for the Deaf in Detroit, Michigan for four years. She spent six years at Mary E. Bennett and later went to McKinley Jr. High in Pasadena where she graduated. She came to CSDR in 1953. Sheila is very much interested in art and is talented along these lines. She is interested in power sewing as a future occupation.

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Our Graduates' Responsibilities

This graduating class is our first at the California School for the Deaf at Riverside. As a group they have been with us only three years. We cannot take credit for their complete education, but we take pride in what they have accomplished during the time they have been here. We believe each one has learned a great deal about living and working with others, each one has made great strides in his academic education, and each one has some vocational training.

The young men and women in this class of 1956 have a great honor and a great responsibility. For the rest of their lives they will be able to point out that they were in the first class to graduate from CSDR. As is generally the case when an individual or group receives a particular honor, a great responsibility goes with it.

This responsibility includes continued behavior that will bring credit to the school. Employers will begin to judge this school on the basis of the kind of work these people do and their adjustment to their jobs. If these young graduates work so well that the employers want to hire future graduates of this school, then they will have been carrying out their responsibilities.

Other deaf people will be watching these graduates and note how they behave in their social life and how readily they assume responsibilities in the local deaf groups they join. Their behavior and assumption of responsibilities in this area will be another mark of the quality and success of their education.

Their families and other hearing friends will closely observe how successful these graduates are in earning a living, establishing homes of their own, and contributing to the welfare of their communities in general.

This is a great responsibility this graduating class bears, because not only will each be

judged in terms of his own success, but the school will also be judged. We wish these young people every success, and know that as a group they will do credit to themselves and to the school.

RICHARD G. BRILL
Superintendent

Graduation Exercises

Wednesday, June 6, 1956, has been slated as the date of the first commencement exercises in the history of the California School for the Deaf, Riverside. The first graduating class consists of eleven students, five girls and six boys, sponsored by Mr. Delgado.

CSDR is very fortunate and honored in having Dr. Herbert Stolz, Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, deliver the commencement address and award the diplomas. Dr. Stolz has shown a keen interest in the establishment and progress of CSDR.

The exercises will begin promptly at 8:00 p. m. The Reverends Jonas and Hower have been asked to deliver the Invocation and Benediction.

The salutatory and valedictory addresses will be given by two of the members of this year's graduating class. The students will be selected by a committee of teachers for this honor on the basis of academic achievement and upon recommendation of the teachers.

All parents, relatives and friends of the graduating students are cordially invited to attend.

Open House Held at CSDR

Open House was held at the California School for the Deaf in Riverside on Wednesday, February 22. Approximately 2,000 visitors toured the grounds and buildings and observed classes which were in regular session.

Guests were received in the Administration Building where they were welcomed and presented with a brochure describing the school, its purpose and operation. The visitors were then guided through the classrooms, dining room, kitchen, bakery, hospital, dormitories, physical education department and vocational department.

The purposes of holding Open House were to acquaint the public with one of the facilities offered in California for the education of deaf and hard of hearing children and to give them an opportunity to inspect the result of the expanded building program.

Our First Graduates

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JERRY B. THOMAS is from Glendale, California, where he was born in 1935. Jerry's educational background includes five years at Mary E. Bennett School in Los Angeles and six years at Central Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis. He says that he learned quite a lot since coming to CSDR in 1953. He enjoys all sports activities at school and participated in track last year.

Jerry's ambition is to work in a dry cleaning establishment.

PATRICIA RAE TRACEY lives in Gardena, California, and her birthplace is Culver City. She graduated from the Mary E. Bennett School and Foshay Junior High. In 1943 her family moved to Provo, Utah, and she attended the Utah School for the Deaf for five and half years before returning to California.

In 1953 she entered this school and has been in the G.A.A. for three years and captain of the volleyball team in '54 and '55.

Pat will be Mrs. Joseph Pruitt sometime in June.

Among some of the projects the seniors have undertaken in order to build up the class fund are selling candy at recess time, washing and polishing cars, housework and garden work, selling Christmas ornaments, and magazine subscriptions.

Class rings have been ordered by the class. Graduation pictures for the yearbook have been made. The big class project now underway is the yearbook which should be completed sometime in May.

Junior Class Organized

Arrangements for the Junior Class which has been organized are under way. The class convened for the first time on March 8 and the meeting began with the election of officers. The following were elected:

President - Jonie Macfadden
Vice President - Gene Balzer
Secretary - Janelle Johnson
Treasurer - Donald Bishara
Historian - Dory Hazelbaker

Plans were made for ordering class rings after spring vacation.

Ways and means of earning money for the class fund were discussed and everyone was enthusiastic.

Members of the Junior Class are:

Maria Alvarez	Janelle Johnson
Gene Balzer	Kitty Johnson
Donald Bishara	Tommy Jones
Pilar Cruz	Richard Liberatore

James Gallagher
Neil Gierke
Dory Hazelbaker
Bill Holgate

Jonie Macfadden
Marvin Mulder
Bob Powers

P.T.C.A. Meets

The P.T.C.A. held its third meeting of the current school year Sunday, March 11, at 3:00 p. m. The brief business meeting was concluded with nominations for officers for the next school term.

Mr. Valentine Becker, rehabilitation officer for the deaf, then gave a very interesting talk.

A brief question and answer period followed Mr. Becker's talk.

Refreshments were provided and served by the P.T.C.A.

Visitors on CSDR Campus

On March 14, Dr. Roy E. Simpson, Superintendent of Public Instruction and Director of Education, came to Riverside to dedicate three new elementary schools for the Riverside City Schools. While in Riverside for the dedication, Dr. Simpson paid a short visit to our school.

Dr. Brill entertained Dr. Simpson and the following members of the Riverside City Schools at luncheon: Mrs. E. M. Bonnett, Mrs. Gladys Babcock, Mr. Lewis Alabaster, Mr. George Pooley, members of the Board of Education; Mr. William Hunt, Principal of Victoria School; Mr. Vernon Miller, Principal of Monroe; Mr. Frank Gibson, Principal of Jefferson; Mr. Bruce Miller, Superintendent of Schools, and Mr. Lewis Wickens, Director of Elementary Education.

Mr. Francis Doyle, Chief, Bureau for Special Education, Division of Instruction, California State Education Department, visited CSDR on March 26. Mr. Doyle spent the day conferring with Dr. Brill and visiting the classrooms.

Cover Design

The cover design was planned and developed in commercial art class by Mozell Farrell. She used lithograph pencil and carried over the project to the printing department where she worked with Joyce Herbert on the offset press to produce the covers.

Lower School Rhythm Program Thursday, May 24

Leisure Time Events

Girl Scouts

March 11-17 was a busy week for the Girl Scouts. It was Girl Scout Week.

All the groups worked hard to get ready for the Girl Scout World Friendship Fair held in Magnolia Center on Saturday, March 17. Troop 175 had two booths, the popcorn booth and the agricultural booth. Some of the Scouts made posters for the fair. They attended the fair from one o'clock to five o'clock in the afternoon.

Boy Scouts

On February 17, the Boy Scouts took a trip to the County Fair at Indio. At nine o'clock all the Scouts loaded onto the bus with their guests, seven Boy Scouts from another troop. It took almost two hours to get to Indio. Among the things of interest the boys saw were the horse show, the animal barns and the mineral display. At noon the Scouts enjoyed the lunch that the kitchen staff at CSDR had prepared for them.

The Scouts who participated in this activity were Pat Bybee, Mike Nunn, Bill and Dick Ramborger, Verlin Hurtt, Mike Golightly, Freddy Duran, Larry Stillwell, Bobby Skeds-mo, Dan Golden, Mike Silvis, Frank Scolaro, Frank Longbotham, Carl Vasquez, Tommy Dragoo, Gordon Johnson, Mike Hagar, Floyd Vincent, Charles Hofer, Danny Vance and Joe Rafferty. Mr. Turechek drove the bus and Mr. Kibby, Mr. Peters and Mr. Zech accompanied the boys.

At a recent meeting of the Troop Committee the activities for the remainder of the year were scheduled. On Saturday, March 24, our troop went to Camp Evans as guests of Troop 51. It was an all day outing in which the two troops shared experiences and activities. Other activities planned were a camping trip to the beach and an overnight camping trip to Camp Emerson.

Troop 18 was awarded a new charter at the January assembly program. In addition to the charter the troop won three awards; for registering on time, for troop advancement and for increased troop membership.

Hobby Shop

There hasn't been much time to work in our hobby shop. However, a few boys have made shoe racks to take home when they go for spring vacation.

Gary Hout, Mike Silvis, Elmer Anderson,

Tommy Warren and Douglas Fowler have made shoe racks. Bobby Zaragoza and John Gullo have made key holders. Tom Moore made a wall shelf for his room.

Pep Squad

The Pep Squad girls gave full support to the CSDR Cubs when they attended the last basketball game of the season at Sherman Institute.

The girls enjoyed the coronation ceremony of the Sherman basketball queen and the exhibition put on by the Riverside Globe Trotters.

The game between Sherman and our Cubs was exciting from the moment the whistle blew until the last buzzer sounded.

The last official meeting of the Pep Squad was held in the girls' recreation hall Thursday, March 1. Try-outs for two cheer leaders to replace seniors, Sheila Riddell and Joyce Herbert, were held. Karen Roach and Sonia Kracer will fill their positions as cheer leaders next fall.

Officers elected for the fall session were Rae Etta Marquis, president; Patsy Bull, secretary; Micheline Gamache, treasurer; and Janelle Johnson, reporter.

Qualifications and standards for a squad member were reviewed and discussed thoroughly.

Dramatic Club

With 43 members the Dramatic Club was formally organized on October 20, 1955. Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday. After supper on these days the members excitedly hurry to the Social Hall with anticipation of an hour of congeniality as well as of learning.

The proper form of language in conducting meetings, in elections and in making motions is used.

The coffers of the treasury now contain \$19.98 and dues are a dollar a year, payable as one wishes during the year.

At two of the meetings, under the direction of Alyce Thomas, there were lessons on "make-up." The various articles of make-up and their uses were discussed. In applying the make-up on models, character lines and shadows were stressed.

The members put on a Christmas play, "Christmas Round the World," in December. They are now anxiously looking forward to

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LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Field Trips

Developing meaningful concepts is of major importance in understanding and interpreting language. Actual experiences are probably the means by which this is most effectively done. In order that each child has the experiences necessary for a full comprehension of the language used at each level, field trips are taken. Those regularly planned include trips to a park, a grocery store, a farm, a service station, a toy store, a pet shop, a trailer park, a house under construction, a newly completed house, a shoe store, a vegetable market, a train ride, a dairy farm and a hatchery.

Usually two major educational trips are taken also during the school year. This spring there will be trips to Disneyland and to the zoo in San Diego.

When only one class is going on a trip, the teacher takes the children in the Suburban car available for this use. If more are going the school bus is used.

Disneyland

On April 25 and May 2 there will be great excitement in the Lower School. Disneyland will be the destination of the children of eight classes. On April 25 classes A, B, and C will spend the day at the world famous Fantasyland and on May 2 Classes D, E, G, H and I will have their turn. The children will travel by school bus and take along a lunch to eat in a reserved picnic area. The boys and girls will be able to have many exciting rides during their day at Disneyland. Besides the rides the children will have a train ride through all of Disneyland and enjoy seeing all the characters they have become acquainted with on T. V. and in the movies.

Valentine's Day

Each class in Lower School made a pretty valentine box to place outside their classroom door. Between nine and ten o'clock the children exchanged valentines, putting their cards in the different boxes. There was much excitement trying to find the right box for each card. Miss Paxson, we think, received more valentines than anyone else. By noon time she had pasted all her cards on the office windows. After lunch the children opened their valentines and the very happy day ended with cake and punch for everyone.

New Pupils

Stanley Bumgarner, admitted February 6.
Donna Imburgia, admitted February 3.

Lower School Picnic

On May 31 the children of Lower School will have a picnic at Fairmount Park. The morning will be spent playing games and enjoying the playground equipment at the park. After a picnic lunch the children will feed the ducks and play ball before returning to school. Everyone in Lower School looks forward to our annual picnic.

The Zoo

The annual trip to the zoo for the four oldest classes in Lower School will take place this year on May 9. The children and teachers will travel to the San Diego zoo on the school bus. They will enjoy a picnic lunch and spend the day seeing all the animals they have been reading about this year.

Our Garden

We planted some sweet pea plants. Sweet peas are pretty flowers. They like to climb. We put some stakes in the ground. We tied some string to the stakes. Now the sweet peas can climb. We will have some pretty flowers in the spring.

MISS LOUGHRAN'S CLASS

The Baby Rabbits

We visited Mrs. Hritz's room. She had five baby rabbits in a box. They were hungry. She fed them milk with a medicine dropper.

MRS. STEPHENS' CLASS

Our Bird

Ricky's grandmother gave us a parakeet. It is blue and white. We named it "Birdie." We like it. Birdie likes to play with a little bell in its cage.

MRS. DeLONG'S CLASS

LOWER SCHOOL BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

Jeanne Buller
Laura Dinndorf

David Beaupre
Monica Lane

APRIL

Warren Snyder
Beverly Goldsberry
Margaret Rose

Stanley Bumgarner
Paul Vincent
Henry Cogswell

MAY

Pamela Jordan
Gary Stingley
Silvia Marquez
Phil Vasquez

Richard Hastings
Lance McGhee
Gregory Coursey

JUNE

Danny Cisneros
Keith Gamache

Danny Marquez

The Junior Palms

From Middle School

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ReportersNorma Cisneros, Susan
Courtney, Jean Jones, Joyce Stermolle,
Mona Wingfield, Ella Sargent, Darlene
Schrameck, Stanley Hildreth
Departmental Adviser.....Miss Alyce Thomas

FLASH!

Ricky Rodriguez has a new hearing aid. He likes it very much.

Susan Courtney sprained her ankle when she was hiking up a mountain.

Class L misses Don Fulk. He has moved to Oklahoma.

Joe Rafferty is happy because the cast is off his arm.

There is a new machine in Miss Solheim's room. It is a Chromovox. It will help us have good speech.

We hope we can begin swimming Saturday, March 10.

Norma Cisneros had her picture taken by a newspaper photographer. Norma represented our Girl Scout Troop at a meeting downtown on February 23.

There is a new boy in Class M. His name is Bryan McClish. We are happy to have Bryan with us.

Mr. McGarry's birthday was March 2. Many classes went to his room to say, "Happy Birthday." He was happy.

CLASS A

The boys and girls in Class A made a farm. They are planting some radishes and flowers on the farm. They made a big picture. It is a picture of "People Who Help Us."

CLASS C

Jean Simerson will go to see the Orange Show in San Bernardino.

Milton Wilson will go home March 23. Then he will go to Fresno, Visalia and Bakersfield.

Charles Hofer will see if maybe there are baby pigeons in his bird house at home.

Miss Paul's birthday was March 2. She got an orchid from her brother, Jack.

CLASS E

Dave McElfresh was at home sick for a week. His class missed him. He is well and back in school.

Marcia Bledsoe and Mike Golightly are working hard preparing for the P.E. program. They will tumble and dance.

CLASS F

In science, Class F is learning about electro-magnets.

Bobby Skedsmo told us that it was so windy one day in Riverside that some roofs and antennas were blown down and some windows were broken.

Linda Lewis, Torrie Bailey, Donna Larson, Bobby Skedsmo, Frank Scolaro and Gordon Johnson will do an Irish dance at the St. Patrick's party and at the CSEA dance.

CLASS G

These boys are studying about trains. Bobby Bailey wants to be an engineer. Bobby Womboldt wants to be a conductor.

CLASS H

Middle School put on a program in Social Hall last week. John Soto, Norma Cisneros, Butch Gongaware, Susan Courtney, Larry Stillwell and Darlene Schrameck danced a waltz. Paul Geyer, Joel Bellavia, Douglas Fowler, Josef Lerman, John Gullo and Silvia Robertson marched. Frank Almendarez helped Mrs. Bell. They had fun working on the program.

CLASS I

Melinda Watson brought her pretty yellow parakeet to school one day. His name is Mike. Marilyn Reynoso helped Melinda take care of Mike. When Mike flew out of his cage, Verlin Hurtt caught him and put him back into his cage.

CLASS J

Mr. Jaeger's wife and his daughter, Mary Ruth, came to Class J's homeroom. Mr. Jaeger's father-in-law and mother-in-law came, too. Margaret Holcomb and Francine Cameron played cars with Mary Ruth.

The girls in Class J made date cookies in homemaking. They gave some to the boys.

CLASS K

The boys and girls in Class K have a barber shop in their room. Roy Huckabee's father let the class use his barber's jacket and apron.

Next week they will have a drug store.

CLASS M

The pupils in Class M took a trip to see some new houses. One of them will be Mrs. Rush's house. They visited Mr. Rush's class at Monroe School. All the boys and girls fingerspelled to them. They were surprised.

CLASS L

We are the reporters for the Junior Palms this month. We had a good time collecting news.

In science we are studying about electricity. We have constructed an electrical circuit board. We used a six volt dry cell battery, wire, a jack switch and a miniature lamp bulb.

February Assembly Program

The Middle School presented an assembly program on February 24, depicting historical and traditional highlights of this eventful month.

The first scene depicted Abe Lincoln as a little boy studying before the fireplace. The second scene depicted the election of Lincoln to the Presidency. The third scene depicted the assassination of Lincoln in the Ford Theater.

Rene Gamache portrayed Lincoln as a little boy. Marlene Murrel portrayed Mrs. Lincoln, and in the assassination scene, Freddy Duran played the role of Edwin Booth.

The next scene was given over to St. Valentine's Day. John Soto, Norma Cisneros, Larry Stillwell, Darlene Schrameck, Butch Gongaware and Susan Courtney did a beautiful valentine waltz. They stepped out of a large red valentine heart in the center of the stage.

Butch Gongaware and Susan Courtney were the King and Queen of Hearts.

The fifth scene depicted George Washington and the cherry tree incident. Mike Nunn played the part of George and Susan Joiner played the role of his mother. The sixth scene depicted the legend of George and his mother's colt. Kelly Shaw and Mickey King played the part of the horse.

The seventh scene was entitled "The Betsy Ross Incident." Francine Cameron, Dan Golden, Margaret Holcomb, Richard King, Lana McGuire, Frank Longbotham, Ann Newby, and Bill Ramborger took part in the skit. They ended the skit by dancing a minuet.

St. Patrick's Parties

The Middle School rotating classes F, G, H, I, J, L and M attended a St. Patrick's Party in the Social Hall on Friday evening, March 16, from 7:00 to 9:00.

Dancing, games and refreshments were enjoyed during the evening. Members of class F, Donna Larson, Pattie Davis, Torrie Bailey, Gordon Johnson, Bobby Skedsmo and Frank Scolaro, under the direction of Mrs. Bell, presented an Irish folk dance.

The Middle School non-rotating classes, A, B, C, D, E and K attended a St. Patrick's Party in the North P. E. Building on Friday evening, March 16, from 7:00 to 8:30.

Science Project

Class J is studying the solar system. They are making a planetarium. They construct the planets with rubber balls of various sizes, cover them with plaster of paris, paint them and hang them from the ceiling. They have finished making and hanging the sun, the earth Saturn and Pluto. Mr. McGarry and the class are having a lot of fun with this project.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

Meyer, David
Osborn, Beverly
Scolaro, Frank
Wilson, Milton

Acuna, Mercedes
Herklrath, Karl
Hofer, Charles

MAY

Ambler, Joy Ann
Cisneros, Norma
Cummings, Linda I.
Longbotham, Frank

Pratt, Jerry
Van Der Laan, Laura
Vicario, Juanita
Vincent, Floyd

JUNE

Cruz, Gary
Emery, Judy

McElfresh, David

Leisure Time Events

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the program planned for May and this is something no one should miss seeing. The members will depict main events which occurred at CSDR during the current year and the club boasts many good mimickers.

At the next meeting new members will be admitted. Only students in the Upper School may join. There are many who are applying and anyone who is eligible is welcome.

The faculty advisers of the club are Alyce Thomas, C. L. Gover, Lawrence Newman, Felix Kowalewski and Madeline Musmanno.

First CSDR Science Club Meets

The first meeting of the CSDR Science Club took place on Thursday night, February 23, in Mr. Menon's room. The club was started for those students who are interested in delving deeper into the mysteries of chemistry, physics, biology, geology and paleontology. The members of the club are Karen Roach, Anne Wallis, James Gallagher, James Holmes, Buddy Long, Marvin Mulder and Jerry Thomas. The elected officers are Virginia Fallin, president; James Randles, vice president; Bert Montgomery, treasurer; and Ginger Wauson, secretary.

We plan to visit the Kaiser Steel Mill in Fontana and the Fossil Beds near Barstow during our week-ends. We'll report to you about our experiments and our trips.

GINGER WAUSON

THE SENIOR PALMS

FROM UPPER SCHOOL

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Science Projects

Dory Hazelbaker was surprised that the electric circuit she made worked. She connected some wire from a knife switch to a bulb and its lamphouse and to a 1½ volt dry cell battery. When she pushed the knife switch down, the electricity flowed along the wires from the dry cell battery, through the knife switch, through the bulb and back to the dry cell battery. The bulb lit up. This is an electric circuit.

Making this electric circuit was part of the work we did when we studied electricity in Mr. Menston's science class. The other girls made a two-switch electric circuit. With the two switches in the circuit we could put the light on from two different places.

The boys made a model of a city block. They made homes, poles to hold the electric wires, painted the homes and the streets and added an electric generator. The bulbs in the homes light when you turn the generator.

Now we are studying the constellations. The constellations help people, such as sailors who travel on the ocean at night. We are making a star finder to help us recognize the constellations at night.

PATTY WYATT

Class I, Upper School

Magnetism

My class studied about magnetism. We used magnets and they attracted nails, thumbtacks, paper clips, bobby pins, razor blades, pins and screws. They did not attract papers, pencils, buttons, belts, chalk, erasers, rocks or glass.

We saw a filmstrip on magnetism.

We had a fishing game using the magnets. We had fun.

BOB MOON

Class A

Electricity

We have been studying about electricity.

We used an electric dry cell and some flashlight batteries. Electricity is stored in these cells.

A dry cell battery has two binding posts at its top. We connected two insulated wires to the binding posts. Then we touched the wire ends to the screws on a small lamp socket. The lamp in the socket lit up.

We got an electric bell. When we touched the wires to the screws on the bell, it started to ring.

Later on we used two flashlight batteries in place of the electric dry cell. The two batteries were placed end on end. One wire was held against the bottom of the rear battery. The other wire touched the top of the front battery. Then we touched the wire ends to the lamp socket. The lamp glowed. Using the same method, we made the bell ring.

We also used three, then four flashlight batteries together. The electric current was stronger. The lamp glowed brighter and the bell rang louder.

The experiments were interesting. We are eager to learn more about electricity.

KENNETH GARNER

CLASS B, Upper School

Our Wild Neighbors

My reading class studied about wild neighbors. If we look for some animals and birds in our yards, we will find many neighbors.

In the spring the birds fly north from the south. The birds' homes are in the woods, but they find birdhouses good substitutes. Some birds live in old barns and houses, castles, tall buildings in the cities and many other places.

If we want to see many birds in our yards, we should have many bushes and trees. Then we can see what the birds are doing.

Sometimes the racoons, possums and chipmunks come to town to find food. We see them in our neighborhood.

My class was surprised that we have many different kind of squirrels. The squirrels are flying squirrels, fox squirrels, gray squirrels, red squirrels and ground squirrels.

We can see many different squirrels at the parks or near our yards. Some squirrels live in trees in our yards. It is fun to watch them playing and jumping from tree to tree.

MIKE WHITE

Class C, Upper School

New Uniforms

The Post Office has made many changes. The color of the trucks and mail boxes has been changed from green to red, white and blue. Soon the mailmen will have new uniforms. The suit and shirt are blue. The tie and trimming are dark red. When the old uniforms are worn out, the mailmen will get the new ones.

WAYNE SANDEL

Class D

The members of Class F in Upper School are busily making a model in Miss Smallwood's room of the buildings and campus of our school.

Richard Liberatore, Neil Gierke and Pilar Cruz measured each building on a blueprint and scaled them twice the size of the drawing. Ronald Boughton has been sawing and sandpapering the tiny buildings.

We feel that this is a good way for us to put to use our knowledge of mathematics, our carpentry skills and originality.

Class F, Upper School

Poor Attendance at Upper School Party

One of the finest and most beautiful dances of the year, the Valentine-Leap Year dance for the Upper School, was held in the Social Hall, Saturday, February 18. The Social Hall was decorated beautifully in traditional hearts and cupids; the music was especially selected for this dance; the refreshments were delicious; and an entertaining program of special dances topped off with the crowning of the king and queen of hearts was presented. But in spite of all the preparation, planning and hard work that went into this dance by the teachers and student committees, the dance was not a total success. Unfortunately, many of the students again chose this weekend to go home, with the result that attendance at the dance was not all that it should have been.

The school's program of education has many facets, not the least of which is the formation of good manners and social etiquette. In addition to missing fine entertainment, the students who are habitually absent from planned school functions are missing an opportunity to develop the niceties and graces of modern living and have less opportunity to make lasting friendships with their schoolmates.

Let us all, parents, teachers and students alike, enter into a program of greater participation in all school activities. Only through this can we hope to develop the school spirit so necessary for the real success of our educational program.

A vote of thanks to these committees who contributed so much to the dance: Mrs. Tiberio, Virginia Fallin, Karen Roach, Pat Tracey, Marion LaRocco, Marina Katemopoulos, Kitty Johnson, Nancy Scallon, decorations; Miss Smallwood, Patsy Bull, Anne

Wallis, Danny Watson, Penny Healy, Pilar Cruz, Shirley Hill, Mozelle Farrell, Joyce Herbert, program; Mr. Fauth, Jonie Macfadden, Rae Marquis, Janelle Johnson, Sheila Riddle, Ginger Wauson, posters and invitations; Miss Lewis, refreshments; Mr. Pepe, music; and the vocational department for their assistance.

The King and Queen of Hearts, elected by the students and crowned during the intermission, were Gene Balzer and Micheline Gamache. Their Royal Highnesses were introduced by Dr. Brill and crowned in a brief ceremony by last year's king and queen, Henry Barnes and Molly Merritt. The king and queen were attended by Stanley Bassett and Penny Healy. After the coronation the king and queen led a program dance named Double Trouble.

Our school calendar informs us that the next major social event is the Spring Frolic. Let's all plan to be there.

UPPER SCHOOL BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

Balzer, Gene
Buch, Rochelle
Bush, Larry
Dewey, Margaret
Fitch, Jaynie
Grigsby, Dolores

Katemopoulos, Marina
Liberatore Richard
Montgomery, Jimmy
Robinson, Harold Dave
Romero, Chris
Thompson, James

MAY

Alvarez, Maria
Hazelbaker, Dory
Johnson, Kitty
Strader, Judith

Thexton, Russell
Watson, Danielle
Wilson, Meta

JUNE

Vasquez, Elvira

Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Brill to Visit

The Brill family is looking forward to the visit of Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Brill, the parents of Dr. Brill. Mr. Brill, formerly the Principal of the New Jersey School for the Deaf in Trenton, and Mrs. Brill will travel to California by ship through the Panama Canal. Dr. Brill's parents will find many improvements and additions to our campus since their last visit in May 1953.

Dr. Alfred Larr Addresses Group

Dr. Alfred Larr spoke at Redlands University on March 19, to a field chapter of Phi Delta Kappa. Dr. Larr spoke on the Conservation and Testing of Hearing. After his talk Dr. Larr gave practical demonstrations in testing hearing.

Sports Events

Boys Track and Field

Last year Berkeley won the national mythical track championship for the deaf. Although several of these fine tracksters have finished their athletic eligibility at Berkeley, we may expect the Hilltoppers to have another fine year.

We, here at Riverside, are watching our own track and field development with interest. Although we are not yet strong enough to compare our marks favorably with those of Berkeley, we have high hopes for the future. Southern California is famous for its large crop of track and field talent. It is anticipated that CSDR will also contribute its share of such abilities.

At the present time our boys are exploring the different events in an effort to find the one most suitable to their talents. Some are finding their places quickly, while others are not yet certain. Gene Balzer appears the fastest runner and expects to take the dashes, and the 440 looks like it's made for him. Bill Holgate may be expected to gather points in the 220, 880 and broad jump. Marvin Mulder shows a nice loose and relaxed stride which indicates a miler. Neil Gierke, though short in stature, is progressing at the high jump. Jerry Roberts may develop into a broad jumper and he also shows some promise as a quartermiler. Jack Salisbury is finding timber-topping an intriguing, but difficult event. Tommy Scates finds the pole vault somewhat to his liking. The shot put has two promising heavies in Stanley Bassett and Henry Barnes. Victor Garcia likes to run the 440 but must run the 660, and will do quite well, too, in B classification. Jimmy Montgomery intends to make good time in the B 1320. Melvin Turner shows some ability in several events. Johnny Soto will make a pole vaulter when he gets older and stronger.

Baseball

The CSDR baseball team is a little slower than anticipated in rounding into shape. Many of the boys are participating in both baseball and track. At the present time the boys are devoting more time to track, but after practice routines are settled and dispensed with quickly, more attention will be given to acquiring the fundamental skills of baseball.

Leading candidates to date for positions are : Jack Salisbury, Henry Barnes, Jimmy

Holmes, Russell Thexton, Stanley Bassett, Gene Balzer, Bob Powers, Ronald Boughton, Richard Liberatore, Butch Gongaware, Gary Runham, Kenneth McCarty and Kenneth Garner.

Basketball

The late basketball season appeared to be unsuccessful according to the scoring column, but in the opinion of many observers, there was a distinct growth among the team members. As indicated in our last game with Sherman, our boys are due to give a good account of themselves in their first year of league competition. More impressive than improvement in ability was the display of good sportsmanship on the court. It doesn't take ability to be a good sport; just being a nice courteous guy is sufficient. Good sportsmanship can be practiced by all athletes, or for that matter, non-athletes. The coach was very proud of the basketball team in the Sherman game. He feels that CSDR can begin to be recognized as a school where good sportsmanship always prevails.

Girls G.A.A. News

PLAYDAYS

We just finished a wonderful playday with Central Jr. High School. We played prison ball and did many relays. Refreshments were served after the games. We are looking forward to our next playday.

We will be going to Pacific High School March 21, for a volleyball playday. We are anxious to meet new friends and renew old friendships.

BASKETBALL

We will be finishing our basketball tournament this week and the finalists are Lorelle Kevil's team vs. Jaynie Fitch's team. May the best team win. Two girls from Poly High School have been coming over and refereeing our games. They have been just wonderful. They are Beverly Hibbard and Sharon Holmes. Thanks a lot, girls!

CLASSES

We are having inter-class competition in badminton, ping pong and bowling. We will have the results of these events by our next paper. Good luck, everybody!

JONIE MACFADDEN
Secretary, G.A.A.

In Our Dormitories

LOWER I

Those are not flying saucers you see way up there in the blue but merely kites which the girls of Lower I have been flying every afternoon. Among our most avid kite fans are Patsy and Kathy Carlsen, Alice Sargeant, Gloria Perez, Karen DuQuin, Pam Jordon and Judy Goldsberry.

We are so happy to report that Mrs. Wilson is feeling better and will soon return to us. One Friday afternoon Gloria Perez visited Mrs. Wilson and returned to the dorm with a box of cookies which she passed around to all the girls.

Laura Dinndorf was the best helper for the month of February. She earned twenty-six stars.

We want to thank all the wonderful people who came to see us on Open House Day. We were so proud of our lovely dorm.

LOWER III

Many changes have been made in Lower III. The boys are growing bigger. They are keeping their rooms cleaner. There are charts outside each door where Mother, Father and each boy can see if he is working hard enough to help keep his room liking nice. We have a flag that is given to the best room to keep for one week. The boy that has the best record for the week in his room is given sergeant's stripes to wear for one week. He is responsible for getting the other boys to work well.

Miss Josephine Munoz has moved into our building and is one of our new counselors. Mr. Curtin is also new to us in Lower School as a counselor. He and Miss Munoz have planned many interesting evening activities for the boys.

MIDDLE BOYS

Bobby Zaragoza is chief decorator for our dormitory. He has now cut out and put up shamrocks and pipes for St. Patrick's Day.

A contest is now on between rooms on opposite sides of the hall. The west side boys are called "Orioles" and the east side, "Robins". The side that wins the most daily awards for neat and orderly rooms will be given a party by the losing side just before we all go home for spring vacation. So far the Robins are ahead.

Mike Ackerman is very happy that his dog has four puppies.

MIDDLE BOYS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Golightly took their son, Mike, and Dick Ramborger on a visit to Yosemite National Park the week-end of March 3. The boys rushed in Monday morning just in time for school.

The boys of the two Middle Dorms recently held a kite flying derby. Prizes were offered by their counselors for the boys flying the highest kite. Bobby Skedsmo and Frank Al-mendarez tied for first place and each won a silver dollar. Bill Ramborger won second place and received a set of Davey Crockett cuff links. Angel Caldera won a set of Indian Head cuff links for third place.

A marble tournament will be the next contest between boys of the two Middle Dormitories.

A group of our boys invited their girl friends to a party at Mrs. Carson's home on Wednesday night, February 22. This was a reward for good behavior for the past two months. Those winning this special privilege were Verlin Hurtt, Bill Ramborger, Frank Longbotham, Jerry Pratt, Mike Silvis and Paul Geyer. Mrs. Finney assisted Mrs. Carson. The boys were very much pleased to have Mrs. Scully attend their party.

MIDDLE GIRLS

Mr. and Mrs. Simerson gave us two pictures for our living room. We thank you very much.

We were invited to go with Middle Boys to Palm Springs for an outing. Only two girls, Irene Acevedo and Mercedes Acuna, were lucky enough to be here to go. We were guests of the El Pueblo Motel for a swim in the pool. We had lunch in the park. Then we saw some house trailers that were for sale. One trailer folds together when on the road. When the owner camps, it can open up double its width. On the way back to Riverside we stopped in the park in Banning and played for a while. Mr. Suchy arranged the outing.

Jean Jones had a birthday in February. Her parents wanted to surprise her with a house party. It was very hard to keep the party a secret. Jean went home on Friday afternoon. On Saturday morning Mr. Jones came for the girls who were invited. Margaret Holcomb, Francine Cameron, Donna Larson, Penelope Johansen, Josette Olivas and Pattie Davis were guests from this dorm. They reported "a wonderful time".

UPPER GIRLS I

Nancy Scallon brought an interesting pinata to school the other Sunday. A pinata is a big pottery bowl which is decorated with colored paper. It is the custom in Mexico to hang up a pinata filled with candy and nuts at children's birthday parties. Children are blindfolded and given a stick. They try to break the pinata. When it is broken, the candy and nuts fall to the floor and there is a mad scramble when the children try to pick them up. Nancy's pinata is empty because it is just for decoration.

Sheila Riddell is wearing a very pretty engagement ring given to her by her fiancé, Robert Hubler.

Patricia Rae Tracey has a lovely engagement ring, too. Joseph Pruitt is her fiancé.

UPPER GIRLS II

Mr. David Kuhns, husband of one of our counselors, invited some of the girls to ride with him to Mt. Rubidoux Sunday afternoon, March 4. He took eight girls in his station wagon, and Miss Kierce took four in her car. The girls who went were Socorro Loredó, Sandra Mann, Carol Thorpe, Lana McGuire, Sandra McCahey, Meta Wilson, Mona Wingfield, Marilyn Reynoso, Betty Lou Roberts, Phyllis Wheeler and Norma Cisneros.

Karen Roach's mother and father took Karen and her friend, Lorelei Kevil, to the mountains Sunday, March 4.

Virginia Wauson had the cast removed from her shoulder March 2. She broke her collar bone a few weeks ago and has worn a cast since. Virginia says, "I feel like a bird out of a cage."

Lorraine and Sylvia Robertson went to their aunt's home in San Bernardino for the week-end of March 2. They rode on the bus. This is the second time they have gone home on the bus alone.

Lorelei Kevil was the guest of Karen Roach for the week-end of March 2.

Rochelle Buch and Lora Napolitano were guests of Dorothy Hottinger the week-end of February 24.

UPPER BOYS II

After a long absence, Wayne Williford returned to school Sunday, March 4. The boys were happy to see Wayne.

Approximately twenty-three boys are participating in baseball and track.

The weekend of February 24, only three boys were left in the dorm. Victor Garcia, Skippy Mangum and Kenneth Garner were taken to see Walt Disney's "The Littlest Outlaw." They enjoyed it very much.

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